SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 44

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article VII of the Constitution of Tennessee relative to elections of county officers and judges.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that Article VII, Section 5 is amended by deleting the first and second sentences of the section in their entirety and substituting instead the following language:

Elections for Judicial and other civil officers shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, two thousand and sixteen, and forever thereafter on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November next preceding the expiration of their respective terms of service. The term of each officer so elected shall be computed from the first day of December next succeeding his election. No officeholder's current term shall be diminished by the ratification of this article and current officeholders shall continue to serve and have their terms extended from the last day of August until the last day of November.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment be referred to the One Hundred Eighth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee by means of posting this resolution on the official web site of the Secretary of State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Senate is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State.